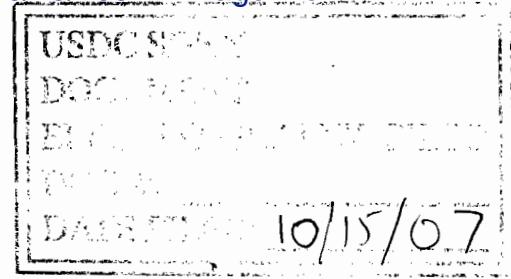


UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORKIN RE: WORLD TRADE CENTER LOWER
MANHATTAN DISASTER SITE LITIGATION

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**STIPULATION AND ORDER OF
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IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED, by and between the undersigned, the attorneys of record for the parties to the above-entitled actions, that whereas no party hereto is an infant or incompetent person for whom a committee has been appointed and no person not a party has an interest in the subject matter of the action, the above-entitled actions be, and the same hereby are discontinued without prejudice as against defendant, VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS INC. only, without costs to either party as against the other.

IT IS FURTHER STIPULATED AND AGREED, that should evidence be discovered throughout the course of the litigation which determines that VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS INC. is a proper party to these suits, plaintiff may reinstitute these actions without regards to the applicable statute of limitations, assuming said original actions were timely commenced, and in such instance this defendant shall not assert the statute of limitations as a defense.

This stipulation may be filed without further notice with the Clerk of the Court.

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SO ORDERED: 10-15-07

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